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BEGIN SUMMARY. WHILE DETAILED PLANNING FOR THE PRESIDENT'S JULY VISIT TO GERMANY MUST AWAIT THE ARRIVAL OF A PRE-ADVANCE TEAM LATER IN THE SPRING, GUIDANCE FROM WASHINGTON ON CERTAIN KEY ELEMENTS OF THE PROGRAM AT AN EARLY DATE WOULD GREATLY FACILITATE THE WORK OF THE EMBASSY AND OF THE FRG IN BASIC PLANNING AND IN PREPARING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE PRE-ADVANCE TEAM. THIS MESSAGE SETS OUT CERTAIN PLANNING ASSUMPTIONS FOR THE VISIT AND RAISES QUESTIONS FOR WHICH GUIDANCE IS SOUGHT. SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTS ARE CONTAINED IN PARAS 2, 3, 7, 22, 24, AND 26 BELOW. END SUMMARY.

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1. OUR COMMENTS ARE KEYED TO THE TENTATIVE AND PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE CONTAINED IN REFTEL. THAT SCHEDULE BASICALLY FOLLOWS THE ONE DRAWN UP DURING THE DISCUSSIONS IN BONN WITH MESSRS. OWEN AND HECKMANN ON MARCH 31 (REFERRED TO IN THIS MESSAGE AS THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE), ALTHOUGH CERTAIN CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE IN THE REFTEL SCHEDULE TO REFLECT LATER INFORMATION OR CHANGED

RECOMMENDATIONS.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF BILATERAL VISIT

2. WHILE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS OF PRESIDENTIAL VISITS ARE CUSTOMARILY MADE MUCH CLOSER TO THE EVENT, THE FORMAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE JULY 16-17 ECONOMIC SUMMIT HAS NOW BEEN MADE AND IT IS WIDELY ASSUMED -- AND REPORTED -- THAT THE PRESIDENT WILL MAKE A BILATERAL VISIT TO GERMANY IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUMMIT. SOME PUBLISHED REPORTS HAVE IT THAT THE BILATERAL VISIT WILL FOLLOW, RATHER THAN PRECEDE THE SUMMIT (A MATTER OF SOME INTEREST BECAUSE THE CANADIANS ARE ASSUMING THAT TRUDEAU'S OFFICIAL VISIT TO GERMANY WILL FOLLOW THE SUMMIT). OTHER REPORTS PURPORT TO GIVE DETAILS OF THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT; ONE ACCOUNT IN LAST WEEK'S PRESS, FOR EXAMPLE, HAD IT THAT WHILE IN BERLIN HE WOULD ADDRESS THE BERLIN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (AN EVENT WHICH, IN FACT, GOVERNING MAYOR STOBBE DOES NOT FAVOR). UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, WE RECOMMEND AN EARLY ANNOUNCEMENT WHICH WOULD GIVE THE DATES OF THE BILATERAL VISIT, STATE THAT THE PRESIDENT WILL VISIT BOTH THE FRG AND BERLIN, AND ADD THAT THE PROGRAM FOR THE VISIT WILL BE WORKED OUT LATER IN CONSULTATION WITH THE FRG AND THE BERLIN AUTHORITIES.

ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE ON WASHINGTON'S  
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PLANS FOR TIMING AND CONTENT OF AN ANNOUNCEMENT OF  
THE VISIT, WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO COORDINATE THE  
ANNOUNCEMENT WITH THE FRG.

CHARACTER OF VISIT

3. THE FRG IS WORKING ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THIS WILL BE A STATE VISIT, RATHER THAN AN OFFICIAL VISIT. WE UNDERSTAND THAT WASHINGTON IS PROCEEDING ON THE SAME BASIS BUT WISH TO CALL ATTENTION TO THE DISTINCTION. A STATE VISIT INCLUDES CERTAIN ADDITIONAL ELEMENTS WHICH ARE CONSIDERED OBLIGATORY IN FRG PRACTICE, SUCH AS A RECEPTION AT WHICH THE CHIEF OF STATE IS PRESENTED TO THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS.

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ACTION REQUESTED: CONFIRMATION THAT THE VISIT  
WILL BE A STATE VISIT.

ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS

4. THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE SHOWED ARRIVAL AT PORZ-WAHN,  
THE MILITARY SIDE OF THE BONN/COLOGNE AIRPORT. IT SEEMS  
MORE LIKELY THAT AIR FORCE ONE WILL ACTUALLY COME TO THE  
CIVILIAN SIDE OF THE AIRPORT, BUT WE WILL LEAVE THAT  
QUESTION OPEN FOR NOW.

5. THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE ALSO SHOWED THAT THE PRESIDENT  
WOULD BE MET ON ARRIVAL BY FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER.  
WHILE ARRIVAL ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE WORKED OUT AT A  
LATER DATE, WE HAVE CHANGED THIS ON THE SCHEDULE IN  
REFTEL TO INDICATE WHAT WE CONSIDER IS MORE LIKELY, THAT  
THE PRESIDENT WILL BE MET BY THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL.  
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THE GERMANS HAVE ADOPTED WHAT THEY UNDERSTAND IS THE  
US PRACTICE FOR GREETING RANKING VISITORS -- SENDING THE  
CHIEF OF PROTOCOL TO THE AIRPORT WHILE RESERVING THE

GREETING BY CABINET-LEVEL OFFICIALS FOR THE OFFICIAL  
ARRIVAL CEREMONY ON THE CHANCELLERY GROUNDS.

RESIDENCE

6. ALL TIMES ON THE PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE ARE OF COURSE  
TENTATIVE, AND IN PARTICULAR TIMES WILL BE IMPRECISE  
UNTIL IT IS DECIDED WHERE THE PRESIDENT WILL RESIDE  
WHILE IN BONN. THE LOCATION WILL BE PARTICULARLY  
IMPORTANT IN PLANNING FOR SUCH EVENTS AS ATTENDANCE AT  
A CHURCH SERVICE ON SUNDAY MORNING, JULY 16, AND ALSO FOR  
DETERMINING WHETHER MOVEMENTS CAN BE BY CAR OR WHETHER  
HELICOPTERS WILL BE NEEDED.

7. THE FOREIGN OFFICE HAS TOLD US THAT THE GERMANS WILL  
BE OFFERING SCHLOSS GYMnich FOR THE PRESIDENT AND HIS  
PARTY DURING THE TIME OF THE STATE VISIT (JULY 13-15)  
BUT THAT DURING THE SUMMIT IT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO APPLY  
THE LIMITATIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN EXPLAINED TO ALL  
PARTICIPANTS: ONLY THE HEAD OF STATE OR CHIEF OF  
GOVERNMENT PLUS FOUR OTHERS CAN BE LODGED AT GYMnich.

GUIDANCE REQUESTED: AN EARLY INDICATION OF  
WHERE THE PRESIDENT WILL BE HOUSED, AS A GUIDE TO  
WORKING OUT TIMING AND LOGISTICS FOR OTHER  
ACTIVITIES OF THE PROGRAM.

OFFICIAL ARRIVAL CEREMONY

8. THE PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE INDICATES THAT THE PRESIDENT  
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WILL BE GREETED BY THE FEDERAL PRESIDENT. FOR  
PRESIDENT FORD'S VISIT, THE CHANCELLOR WAS THE OFFICIAL  
GREETER. THIS IS DETERMINED ON THE BASIS OF WHETHER  
THE VISIT IS A STATE VISIT OR AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

PRIVATE TALKS WITH CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT

9. THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE SHOWS THE PRESIDENT LEAVING  
THE CHANCELLERY GROUNDS, AFTER THE COURTESY CALL ON  
PRESIDENT SCHEEL, FOR A MOTORCADE THROUGH THE CITY, THEN  
RETURNING TO THE CHANCELLERY FOR PRIVATE TALKS WITH THE  
CHANCELLOR. THAT SCHEDULE ALLOTTED ONLY 90 MINUTES FOR  
THOSE TALKS. THIS WILL BE THE ONLY BILATERAL MEETING  
WITH THE CHANCELLOR DURING THE VISIT, AND WE ASSUME THAT  
IT WOULD BE STRUCTURED IN THE FORM OF A PRIVATE  
MEETING WHICH WOULD BE LATER EXPANDED TO INCLUDE FOREIGN  
MINISTERS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE TWO DELEGATIONS. AS  
90 MINUTES SEEMS TOO SHORT FOR THE SUBSTANTIVE PORTION

OF THE VISIT, CONSIDERING THE NUMBER OF ISSUES THE PRESIDENT AND THE CHANCELLOR WILL WISH TO DISCUSS, WE HAVE PROPOSED ON THE SCHEDULE IN REFTEL THAT THE MOTORCADE BE DEFERRED UNTIL THE AFTERNOON. THIS WOULD MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR THE PRESIDENT TO GO IMMEDIATELY FROM PRESIDENT SCHEEL'S RESIDENCE TO THE ADJACENT CHANCELLERY, THUS HAVING 2 1/2 HOURS FOR THE BUSINESS SESSION.

WORKING LUNCH AND PRESS CONFERENCE

10. OUR ASSUMPTION FOR PLANNING PURPOSES IS THAT THE JULY 14 WORKING LUNCHEON WILL BE HELD IN THE CHANCELLOR'S BUNGALOW, ALSO LOCATED ON THE CHANCELLERY GROUNDS, AND THAT THE CHANCELLOR WILL JOIN THE PRESIDENT IN MEETING

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THE PRESS IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE LUNCHEON. OUR ESTIMATE IS THAT 30 MINUTES WILL BE SUFFICIENT FOR THE PRESS CONFERENCE.

MOTORCADE, GOLDEN BOOK AND WREATH LAYING

11. THE BONN RATHAUS IS AN ATTRACTIVE SETTING WHERE SECURITY SHOULD BE RELATIVELY EASY TO MAINTAIN, AND WE THUS BELIEVE A GOLDEN BOOK CEREMONY AT THE RATHAUS WOULD BE AN APPROPRIATE OBJECTIVE OF THE MOTORCADE. THE PRESIDENT COULD MAKE BRIEF REMARKS DURING THE CEREMONY.

12. WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO DEVELOP ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONCERNING THE PROPOSED WREATH LAYING CEREMONY, WHICH WAS INCLUDED IN THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE AT GERMAN REQUEST. WE ARE TOLD BY THE FOREIGN OFFICE THAT ALL HEADS OF STATE LAY WREATHS AT A MONUMENT IN THE HOFGARTEN, NEAR THE BONN UNIVERSITY, WHICH BEARS A PLAQUE MEMORIALIZING SIMPLY "THE VICTIMS OF TRYRANNY." BUT WE ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THIS HAS BEEN A STANDARD PRACTICE FOR STATE VISITS ONLY OVER THE PAST 18 MONTHS. IT MAY BE THAT THIS EVENT CAN BE DROPPED AS A TIME-SAVING MEASURE. SO FAR AS WE KNOW THERE ARE NO OTHER SUITABLE SITES FOR WREATH LAYING  
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PRESENTATION TO THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS

13. AFTER THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE WAS PREPARED, THE FOREIGN OFFICE REMINDED US THAT A PRESENTATION OF CHIEFS OF STATE TO THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS WAS CONSIDERED AN INTEGRAL PART OF EVERY STATE VISIT. RECEPTIONS ARE ARRANGED BY THE FOREIGN OFFICE AND ARE HELD VARIOUSLY IN THE HOTEL KOENIGSHOF, THE STADTHALLE, AND THE BEETHOVEN HALLE. EACH AMBASSADOR IS PRESENTED INDIVIDUALLY, AND THE EVENT, WHICH CAN BE SCHEDULED AT ANY TIME OF THE DAY, REQUIRES A MINIMUM OF ONE HOUR. ON THE SCHEDULE IN REFTEL, WE HAVE SUGGESTED THAT IT TAKE PLACE IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE MOTORCADE.

MEETINGS WITH PARTY LEADERS

14. OUR ASSUMPTION IS THAT THE PARTY LEADERS WILL CALL ON THE PRESIDENT AT HIS RESIDENCE. WE CONSIDER IT ESSENTIAL THAT THE PRESIDENT RECEIVE CDU CHAIRMAN HELMUT KOHL, AND OUR RECOMMENDATION WOULD BE THAT HE RECEIVE ONLY KOHL, AS THE LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT THERE MAY BE PRESSURES FROM THE FRG FOR THE PRESIDENT TO RECEIVE THE LEADERS OF ALL FOUR PARTIES (BREZHNEV WILL DO THIS, AS DO MOST STATE VISITORS). IF THERE ARE STRONG REQUESTS, WE WOULD AGREE THAT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE PRESIDENT TO MEET ALSO WITH SPD

CHAIRMAN WILLY BRANDT, AS A SENIOR STATESMAN. WE WOULD HOPE TO HOLD THE LINE THERE, HOWEVER, AND TO AVOID INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS WITH FDP CHAIRMAN GENSCHER (WHO AS VICE CHANCELLOR AND FOREIGN MINISTER WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETINGS WITH THE PRESIDENT) AND  
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CSU CHAIRMAN FRANZ JOSEF STRAUSS. RECEIVING ALL FOUR VISITORS WOULD DETRACT FROM THE IMPORTANCE OF THE KOHL CALL AND WOULD ALSO CUT INTO THE ALREADY LIMITED STAFF TIME ON JULY 14.

STATE DINNER

15. THE OFFICE OF PROTOCOL HAS NOT YET BEGUN DETAILED PLANNING FOR THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT AND THUS HAS MADE NO DECISION ON WHERE THE STATE DINNER IS TO BE HELD; THE TWO SITES SHOWN ON THE PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE HAVE BEEN MENTIONED ONLY AS POSSIBILITIES. WE RECALL THAT PRESIDENT SCHEEL'S DINNER FOR PRESIDENT FORD WAS HELD ON BOARD A RHINE STEAMER, WHICH MADE A BRIEF STOP AT THE NEARBY TOWN OF LINZ DURING THE EVENING.

TRAVEL OUTSIDE BONN

16. THE SCHEDULE IN REFTTEL RETAINS THE SUGGESTION FROM THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE THAT, ON THE MORNING OF JULY 15, THE PRESIDENT FLY TO NUERNBERG, GO INTO THE CITY, AND THEN PROCEED BY HELICOPTER TO THE MILITARY TRAINING AREA AT GRAFENWOEHR. THESE ACTIVITIES WOULD MEET THE CHANCELLOR'S SUGGESTION THAT THE PRESIDENT (ACCOMPANIED BY THE CHANCELLOR) MAKE A PUBLIC APPEARANCE IN A LARGE CITY IN BAVARIA OR HESSE AND THEN VISIT A NEARBY MILITARY AREA WHERE THERE ARE BOTH US AND GERMAN TROOPS.

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17. AS THERE WOULD NOT APPEAR TO BE ENOUGH TIME FOR TWO MAJOR SPEECHES IN ONE DAY AND BERLIN WOULD BE THE PREFERRED SITE FOR A MAJOR SPEECH, WE SUGGEST THAT THE PROGRAM IN NUERNBERG -- OR WHATEVER LARGE CITY IS CHOSEN -- INCLUDE ONLY BRIEF REMARKS, SUCH AS A GOLDEN BOOK CEREMONY. WE HAVE THUS SHORTENED THE TIME ON THE GROUND IN NUERNBERG SOMEWHAT FROM THAT ON THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE, IN ORDER TO GAIN ADDITIONAL TIME IN BERLIN.

18. WE HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT NUERNBERG, AS DISCUSSED WITH MR. HECKMANN, BECAUSE OF THE LIKELIHOOD THAT THE PRESS WOULD WEAVE RECOLLECTIONS OF THE NAZI ERA INTO THEIR ACCOUNTS. THIS MAY NOT BE AN OVERRIDING OBJECTION, HOWEVER, IF OTHER SUITABLE SITES CANNOT BE FOUND. EUCOM HAS BEEN ASKED TO PROVIDE DETAILED SUGGESTIONS FOR A NUERNBERG/GRAFENWOEHR SCENARIO AND ALSO TO SUGGEST OTHER OPTIONS WHICH WOULD MEET THE CRITERIA OF A LARGE CITY, CONFIDENTIAL

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AN AIRPORT WHICH COULD ACCOMMODATE AIR FORCE ONE AND THE PRESS PLANE, A NEARBY MILITARY INSTALLATION WITH BOTH US AND GERMAN TROOPS -- ALL IN BAVARIA OR HESSE. MORE DETAILED SUGGESTIONS FOR THIS PORTION OF THE PROGRAM WILL BE SUBMITTED AT A LATER DATE.

BERLIN VISIT

19. GIVEN THE IMPORTANCE WHICH THE WEST GERMANS AND THE BERLINERS ATTACH TO A VISIT TO BERLIN BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE SIGNIFICANCE OF BERLIN FOR THE US ROLE IN EUROPE AND FOR US RELATIONS WITH THE FRG AND THE SOVIET UNION, THE EMBASSY STRONGLY BELIEVES THAT EVERY EFFORT SHOULD



BE MADE TO SPEND A MINIMUM OF FOUR HOURS ON THE GROUND IN BERLIN, RATHER THAN THE 2 1/2 HOURS SHOWN ON THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE. WE HAVE BUILT THIS EXTRA TIME INTO THE SCHEDULE IN REFTEL BY SHORTENING THE MORNING PROGRAM HALF AN HOUR, AS NOTED ABOVE, AND BY SUGGESTING A RETURN TO BONN AT 7:00 P.M., RATHER THAN 6:00 P.M.

20. WE ASSUME THE LATER RETURN WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE IF THERE WERE NO OFFICIAL DINNER ON THE EVENING OF JULY 15. THE GERMANS HAVE BEEN INFORMED THAT THE PRESIDENT DOES NOT WISH TO HAVE A BILATERAL DINNER. WE DO NOT YET KNOW WHETHER THE CHANCELLOR PLANS TO ARRANGE A PRE-SUMMIT DINNER FOR ALL THE SUMMIT PARTICIPANTS.

21. ONE QUESTION WHICH WILL ARISE WILL BE WHO IS TO ACCOMPANY THE PRESIDENT TO BERLIN. FOREIGN MINISTER GENSCHER WILL WISH TO DO SO, AND POSSIBLY CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT. OUR RECORDS INDICATE THE FOLLOWING PRECEDENTS:

-- PRESIDENT KENNEDY ARRIVED IN BERLIN VIA  
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FRANKFURT AND THE CHANCELLOR TRAVELLED TO  
BERLIN SEPARATELY.

-- PRESIDENT NIXON TOOK BOTH THE CHANCELLOR AND  
THE FOREIGN MINISTER WITH HIM FROM THE FRG  
TO BERLIN.

-- VICE PRESIDENT ROCKEFELLER FLEW DIRECTLY TO  
BERLIN FROM WASHINGTON. FRG AMBASSADOR VON  
STADEN ACCOMPANIED HIM ON AIR FORCE TWO.  
THE FOREIGN MINISTER WAS OUT OF COUNTRY, BUT  
MINISTER OF STATE MOERSCH FROM THE  
FOREIGN OFFICE AND THE FRG DEPUTY CHIEF OF  
PROTOCOL WENT TO BERLIN TO GREET THE VICE  
PRESIDENT THERE.

-- VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE WAS ACCOMPANIED TO  
BERLIN FROM THE FRG BY FOREIGN MINISTER  
GENSCHER.

22. THE SOVIETS HAVE ALREADY REGISTERED THEIR CUSTOMARY OBJECTION TO FEDERAL OFFICIALS' ACCOMPANYING HIGH-LEVEL VISITORS AS THOUGH THE BERLIN VISIT WERE A PART OF THE VISIT TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC. IT WILL OF COURSE BE NECESSARY TO MAKE CLEAR TO THE SOVIETS THAT WE DO NOT INTEND TO CHANGE THIS LONG-STANDING PRACTICE. AT THE SAME TIME, IN RECOGNITION OF OUR RESPONSIBILITY FOR BERLIN IT WILL BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE PRESIDENT TO

INVITE THE CHANCELLOR OR THE FOREIGN MINISTER TO  
ACCOMPANY HIM, AND NOT VICE VERSA. IT WOULD SEEM  
PREFERABLE FOR US TO MAKE THIS POINT, IN LOW KEY, BEFORE  
THE GERMANS PRESENT FORMAL PROPOSALS ON THE SUBJECT.

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ACTION REQUESTED: AUTHORIZATION FOR THE  
AMBASSADOR OR THE EMBASSY ON SOME SUITABLE OCCASION,  
IN CONNECTION WITH OTHER DISCUSSIONS OF THE  
PRESIDENT'S VISIT, TO STATE THAT THE PRESIDENT  
WOULD OF COURSE WELCOME IT IF THE CHANCELLOR OR  
THE FOREIGN MINISTER WISHED TO ACCOMPANY HIM TO  
BERLIN.

23. WE WILL BE SUBMITTING DETAILED PROPOSALS FOR THE  
BERLIN PROGRAM, INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS  
ON POSSIBLE SITES FOR A MAJOR SPEECH, AFTER FURTHER  
CONSIDERATION OF VARIOUS OPTIONS AND CONSULTATION WITH  
THE GOVERNING MAYOR.

CHURCH SERVICE

24. A GERMAN BAPTIST CHURCH IN COLOGNE HAS INVITED THE PRESIDENT TO ATTEND SERVICES THERE AND HAS OFFERED TO ADAPT THE TIME OF ITS SERVICE TO THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE. THE DISTANCE WOULD SEEM TO RULE THAT OUT IF, AS PRESENTLY PLANNED, THE FIRST SUMMIT MEETING BEGINS AT 0900 ON JULY 16. IN ACKNOWLEDGING THE LETTER OF  
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INVITATION, THE EMBASSY HAS REFERRED TO THE TIGHT SCHEDULES CUSTOMARILY INVOLVED IN PRESIDENTIAL TRAVEL BUT HAS UNDERTAKEN TO CALL THE INVITATION TO THE ATTENTION OF THOSE WHO WILL BE WORKING ON THE PRESIDENT'S SCHEDULE. A MORE DEFINITIVE ANSWER SEEMS CALLED FOR AT A SUITABLE TIME.

ACTION REQUESTED: GUIDANCE FOR RESPONDING  
TO THE INVITATION FROM THE COLOGNE BAPTIST CHURCH.

25. SHOULD THE PRESIDENT BE RESIDING IN OR NEAR THE AMERICAN HOUSING AREA, HE MIGHT WISH TO ATTEND SERVICES AT THE AMERICAN CHURCH IN PLITTERSDORF, A CHURCH WHICH HAS BOTH PROTESTANT AND CATHOLIC SERVICES WITH AMERICAN PROTESTANT AND CATHOLIC CLERGYMEN. A SPECIAL EARLY MORNING PROTESTANT SERVICE COULD BE ARRANGED AT WHATEVER TIME IS NECESSARY. OTHER POSSIBILITIES WOULD INCLUDE AN EARLY MORNING ECUMENICAL SERVICE OR AN OUTDOOR SERVICE ON THE BANKS OF THE RHINE BEHIND THE AMERICAN EMBASSY CLUB. THIS IS AN ATTRACTIVE SITE WHERE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES FOR THE BONN AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL ARE HELD, AND IT WOULD PERMIT ATTENDANCE BY MANY MORE MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY. MAXIMUM SEATING CAPACITY IN THE AMERICAN CHURCH IS 250.

26. SHOULD A SPECIAL SERVICE BE HELD IN THE AMERICAN CHURCH, IT WILL BE NECESSARY AT A LATER DATE TO DECIDE WHETHER ATTENDANCE WILL BE BY INVITATION ONLY AND, IF SO, WHETHER ONLY AMERICANS WILL BE INVITED OR WHETHER OTHER REGULAR MEMBERS OF THE CONGREGATION MAY ALSO ATTEND. THESE INCLUDE SOME GERMANS AND MANY FOREIGN DIPLOMATS INCLUDING, FOR EXAMPLE, THE AMBASSADORS FROM CANADA AND LIBERIA.  
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ACTION REQUESTED: WHILE A SPECIAL AMERICAN SERVICE CAN BE ARRANGED ON SHORT NOTICE, IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR PLANNING PURPOSES, EITHER WHEN THE PRE-ADVANCE TEAM ARRIVES OR EARLIER IF POSSIBLE, TO HAVE AN INDICATION OF THE TYPE OF CHURCH SERVICE THE PRESIDENT WOULD WISH TO ATTEND.

GREETING THE AMERICAN COMMUNITY

27. THE RESIDENT AMERICANS IN BONN WILL OF COURSE HOPE TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MEET THE PRESIDENT WHILE HE IS HERE, BUT TIME CONSTRAINTS MAKE IT DIFFICULT TO SCHEDULE A SPECIAL EVENT FOR THAT PURPOSE. MOST OF THE OFFICIAL AMERICANS RESIDE IN THE HOUSING AREA WHERE THE AMERICAN CHURCH IS LOCATED, HOWEVER, AND IF THE PRESIDENT SHOULD ATTEND SERVICES THERE IT WOULD SEEM APPROPRIATE AND HIGHLY APPRECIATED FOR HIM TO GREET THE COMMUNITY ON THE CHURCH LAWN IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SERVICE AND BEFORE BOARDING THE MOTORCADE. WE HAVE INCLUDED A RECOMMENDATION TO THAT EFFECT ON THE SCHEDULE IN REFTTEL.

SUMMIT MEETINGS: LOCATION

28. THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE SHOWS THE MEETINGS TAKING PLACE EITHER AT THE CHANCELLERY OR AT SCHLOSS GYMnich.

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WE HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY BEEN INFORMED THAT IN ALL LIKELIHOOD THE MEETINGS WILL BE AT THE CHANCELLERY AND HAVE SO INDICATED ON THE SCHEDULE IN REFTEL. THIS WOULD BE ONLY A TEN MINUTE DRIVE FROM THE AMERICAN CHURCH. SHOULD THE GERMANS GO BACK TO THE GYMnich IDEA, THE SCHEDULE FOR JULY 16 WOULD HAVE TO BE REVISED TO ALLOW MORE T;3) 58.3, AND HELICOPTERS MIGHT BE REQUIRED.

#### SUMMIT PROGRAM

29. THE PROGRAM FOR SUMMIT DAY ONE AND SUMMIT DAY TWO ON THE SCHEDULE IN REFTEL IS ESSENTIALLY THE SAME AS THAT ON THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE.

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30. THE DEPARTURE TIME IN REFTEL ALSO REMAINS UNCHANGED FROM THAT ON THE MARCH 31 SCHEDULE. SHOULD THE PRESIDENT DECIDE TO REMAIN OVERNIGHT IN BONN, THERE WOULD BE A FREE EVENING AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE SUMMIT AND IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO MOVE THE MEETINGS WITH INDIVIDUAL PARTY LEADERS TO THAT BLOCK OF TIME, THUS SAVING TIME ON THE FIRST DAY OF THE BILATERAL VISIT. A DINNER THAT EVENING WOULD ALSO BE A POSSIBILITY.

31. AS PLANS BECOME MORE DEFINITE, WE WILL NEED TO COORDINATE WITH THE GERMANS ON WHAT SORT OF DEPARTURE ARRANGEMENTS THEY ENVISAGE -- WHETHER THEY WOULD PICK UP ON THE STATE VISIT, AS IT WERE, AND HAVE FORMAL DEPARTURE CEREMONIES, OR WHETHER THIS WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO ARRANGE BECAUSE OF THE NEAR-SIMULTANEOUS DEPARTURE OF ALL THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE SUMMIT MEETING.

#### MEDIA ARRANGEMENTS

32. THE EMBASSY IS ALSO DEVELOPING TENTATIVE PLANS FOR PRESS AND OTHER MEDIA COVERAGE IN CONNECTION WITH THE VARIOUS EVENTS ON THE PROGRAM AND WILL BE SUBMITTING DETAILED SUGGESTIONS AS AGREEMENT ON THE MAJOR ITEMS ON THE PROGRAM BECOMES FIRMER.

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